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Editorial Comment

GRADUATION TIME

In extending congratulations to the Seniors of our High Schools who are receiving diplomas, there are several points to be made:

First, every student who stayed in school to finish his high school education, rather than yield to the temptation to stop school and get a job, deserves commendation. The need for workers is great, but the demand for educated citizens is far greater. Many students have been able to continue in school while doing part-time work, either on the farms or learning trades. That has been commendable, too.

Second, there should be an increase in the number of our high school graduates continuing their education next fall at some college. Many parents are in a position to give their children the benefit of a college education, and wherever that can be done, it should be done. Appomattox County needs a higher percentage of college trained citizens among its population.

Third, we desire to pay tribute to school officials for having "carried on" this session in the face of problems created by the war effort. That includes the teachers who have returned to the classroom after an absence of several years, to help meet the teacher shortage.

Fourth, we look anxiously to the current attention to the task of increasing educational opportunity in Virginia, and trust that this attention will not wane.

IDEA FROM DETROIT

We were interested this week in a news article from Detroit, telling of great sales of Seventh War Loan Bonds in that area. It was stated that thousands of workers suddenly realized that they might be laid off from work for months during reconversion, or might lose their jobs entirely. And moved by that realization the area was experiencing a spontaneous rush to put into War Bonds every dollar they could get together.

Most of these people had been on the ten per cent pay-roll savings plan, but now they wanted to go beyond that and lay away as big a "nest-egg" as possible for their own selfish future security.

Now, to our mind, here is the story of the hour. The same thing should be done all over America.

When you buy War Bonds, you are not giving anything, or doing something worthy solely for being "patriotic". You are above all else FEATHERING YOUR OWN NEST!

NO DEARTH OF GENERALS

From Winchester Star

The United States today is faced by a curious military dilemma without parallel in the nation's history. Good generals are nearly always a scarce commodity— the Civil War was two-thirds over before Lincoln found a winner in Grant. But this time the nation has more top flight commanders of proved ability in battle than it knows what to do with.

The war with Germany produced a bumper crop of extremely able leaders. In addition to General Eisenhower, who will remain in Europe as a member of the Allied Control Commission, General Bradley, Clark, Patton, Hodges, Simpson and Patch have all been outstandingly successful as commanders of armies in the field. In addition to this stellar group, a host of air generals, staff officers and field commanders of slightly lower rank contributed mightily to the victory.

Very few of these officers, it is suspected, are going to be content to rest on their laurels and return to desk jobs in Washington. Most of them are going to want to see action in the Pacific War. But since those campaigns have already produced a galaxy of brilliant commanders, clustering around General MacArthur, it is not going to be easy to find places for all of the three-s and four-star generals who will soon be out of jobs.

But it is not likely that this surplus of fighting talent is causing General of the Army Marshall any loss of sleep. In fact, it is difficult to imagine a happier situation for a chief of staff than to have plenty of competent, battle-tested leaders to choose from as he starts selecting the commanders for the next great campaign.

RETURNING SOLDIERS

From Roanoke Times

It has been announced that troop shipments to the United States in June will number 250000 as compared to the 84000 troops who will have left Europe by the end of this month. Four infantry divisions from the European theater— the 86th, 97th, 99th and 104th already have been alerted for redeployment in June and will leave in the order named, proceeding to the Pacific by way of the United States. While they arrive in this country the men will be given furloughs before reporting for duty to be sent to the Pacific. Transfer of troops to the United States by plane also is expected to begin in June.

Though they know they have a grim and bloody job ahead of them in the Pacific, these returning veterans of the European war are filled with joyous anticipation, no doubt, at the prospect of an early reunion with their loved ones back home. It can be assumed that it is the chief topic of conversation among them as they await the time of departure.

The transportation facilities of this country will be sorely taxed in the coming months. No soldier must lose a single day of his precious and all too short stay at home because he cannot get on a train or bus to take him to his destination.

The American people should resolve now to make this another stay-at-home summer. Civilian travel should be curtailed to a minimum, so that the needs of the military services may be met.

The returning soldiers should have priority on travel accommodations, so that they may get to their destinations without delay. They have splendidly earned the furloughs they will be given after their arrival in the United States. Their pleasure at the prospect of getting home and seeing their families must not be marred by the actions of inconsiderate civilians who insist on riding on the trains and buses on unnecessary journeys, thereby cluttering up travel accommodations and taking up space that rightly should be occupied by the returning soldiers.

Minute Make-Ups

By GABRIELLE

The Pointed Face is the "pretty little" face! Keep it that way with "pretty" makeup. Bright rouge but **carefully** done. Don't make a "big" mouth, keep to the natural outline. The Pointed Face is called the Heart-Shaped Face by the poet, so keep it Romantic, keyed to Alluring Femininity. Curly hairdos go with your type!

Leader Syndicate.—WNU Features.

Skirmish to Readers Is Big Fight to Boys in It

WITH U. S. 6TH ARMY, LUZON —It was just one of those little skirmishes, which seldom get mentioned in the communiques, but as the dirty-faced doughboy who had just seen six of his buddies killed and another 26 wounded, said, "It was a big war to us."

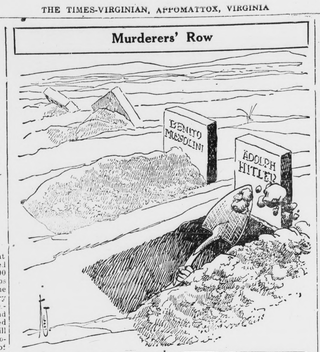
The Japs had an outpost near Catablan on a small hill overlooking the highway which runs south towards Manila. It had to be knocked out, so two companies were sent up. The Japs opened up with small arms and machine guns. One of the company commanders was killed.

Pushing on, the Americans wiped out the outpost, killing 62 Japs. One was an officer.

The dirty-faced doughboy sat wearily on the hillside. "Yes," he said, without looking up, "I guess it wasn't much of a battle, but we thought it was."

Former President Hoover confers with President Truman.

Murderers' Row



Take My Word For It!

By FRANK COLBY

THE SABBATH

Question: It is a question in my mind whether it is proper to speak of the Christian Sunday as "Sabbath."—V. B.

Answer: The word Sabbath is from the Hebrew **shabath**, meaning "to rest." Originally, Sabbath designated only the Jewish day of rest, but its meaning has been extended to include the Christian, Sunday.

Question: Clifton Fadiman corrected announcer Ben Grauer for accenting ARISTOCHAT on the second syllable, saying that the word should be accented on the first syllable. Why?—W. V. C.

Answer: Of eight accepted American dictionaries consulted, seven list the second-syllable accent as first choice: **uh-RISS-toe-krat.** The first-syllable accent is a Briticism.

Question: We cannot find the accepted abbreviation for **kindergarten.**—L. G.

Answer: Sorry, I cannot find it either. May I suggest "kgtn"?

Question: In a discussion last night on the pronunciation of the name MAURICE, I said that the accent is on the first syllable, and that the "i" is short. I was laughed at. —A. M.

Answer: You are correct; the American pronunciation is: **MAW-riss.** The French say: **mor-REESS.**

Bell Syndicate.—WNU Features.

'Dutch Boy' Dress

Off-shoulder armholes for full shirtsleeves are featured in Claire McCardell's gray and white striped chambray "Dutch Boy" dress with white bone buttons. And you should see the clever little starched lace Dutch bonnets they are showing in the shops today.

Ironing Pad

Distribute the ironing over the entire ironing surface. This keeps the pad from packing unevenly and the ironing shoe from getting too hot in unused spots and scorching cover and pad. To freshen the padding when it packs with use, take off the muslin cover, then the padding. Be sure to check the way it fits on the roller or table. Fluff it up, reverse it, air it and replace it. Avoid ironing over anything hard that might injure the ironing surface. Turn buttons, snaps, zippers and other hard, bumpy things toward the padding. Make an extra pad cover to use when one is being washed. Use original cover as a pattern.

Life's Like That

By FRED NEHER

"It's the first time I ever rode with a stork . . . boy, am I air-sick!"

"GAY GADGETS"

Associated Newspapers—WNU Features

By NANCY PEPPER

JITTERBUG JOOLERY

You've been cluttering yourself up with so much silver jewelry lately that we've kind-a neglected the make-it-yourself interbug stuff. But, after looking at lapels and snooping at sweaters we've found some giddy gadgets that you'll enjoy making and wearing.

Locked Lips—Cut some red felt in the shape of lips. Sew together with pin to wear.

Good Brush Work—Three little brushes from empty nail polish bottles make a lapel gadget if you clean them off and then tie them together with a little piece of ribbon. When you give one of them to a Tick (that's a dame that gets under your skin) he will know he's getting the brush-off.

Prune Pass—Make a Topsy lapel pin out of an uncooked prune, using white thumb tacks for features and colored yarn for little pigtails. Better coat it over with nail polish.

Mock Turtle—Half a walnut shell and five raisins make a turtle pin, believe it or not. Glue on the raisins as feet and head. Decorate the shell with nail polish dots. Glue a piece of felt on the back and you'll have something to attach a pin to.

On the Fringe—Did you know that ball fringe makes swoonderful sweater necklaces? Buy it in the upholstery department of your favorite store, attach three graduated strands with a snapper in back for fastening. Attach individual balls to your earrings and you'll make the headlines in your school paper.

THE LET-DOWN

My mother says, "You look Divine!"...
My Dad says, "Daughter, you're a pip!"—
Tonight, I think, I'll surely shine,
Tonight I could not be a drip.
But once I hit the dressing room
And give the other girls the eye,
I plunge from pride to doubt and gloom—
THEY ALL LOOK PRETTIER THAN I!

TRIXIE TEEN SAYS—

Is that your handbag that looks like a salvage station? Everything you open it, you give people a key to your character and it's a key that won't open any doors for you. Why not have a clean-up at least once a week? Who's sure those old movie ticket stubs, those chewing gum wrappings, those odds and ends of peanuts and candy? Or are you raising a brace of termites in there? If you want to be well groomed, you have to be Purse Proud.

Phone 30 with Personals.

WPB eases building controls.

Circuit court to convene here on June 1st.

Lights of New York

by L. L. STEVENSON

Manhattan Before Curfew Rings: Orchidaceous Helena Bliss with red white orchids pinned to her velvet neckband at the Versailles. . . . Lovely Vera Zorina, the temptress of "The Tempest," reading her own tea leaves at Theodore's—wonder if she sees a "Tempest" in a teacup? . . . Gloria Nord, the "Skating Vanities" beauteous star, getting a passing glimpse of the town from a taxi —she flew from Wichita to pose for a national picture magazine, then flew right back again. . . . Jane Pickens bringing a huge layer cake her mamma, Patti, baked to the "American Melody Hour" rehearsal —a Patti cake? . . . Vinton Freedley and Horace Schmidlapp talking show shop at Bradley's over a redfish dinner. . . . Roger Stearns striking up "The Last Time I Saw Paris" on the 1-2-3's pianoforte at the Guthrie McClintics walk in. . . . Roger, McClintic and Katherine Cornell saw Paris the last time—as members of a USO troupe. ●

This & That: Peter Donald is writing and illustrating a book on acting for biddies—he used to be a leading prodigy himself. . . . Overheard at the Stork: "There's a pall on society on the ab's." . . . Gossipsters in the Cafe Zanzibar were discussing a comic well known for his wit's easy on the ab's." . . . Gossipsters in the Cafe Zanzibar were discussing a comic well known for his wit's easy on the ab's." . . . Gossipsters in the Cafe Zanzibar were discussing a comic well known for his men's material. . . . One remarked, "I caught him on the air last night. His timing's improved 10 per cent and his gags are coming over much faster." . . . "They ought to be," quipped Frank Farrington, "He's stealing them in shorthand now." . . . Sam Donohue, the saxtootin' navy band leader, and his touring swing band will soon be back, in the states after two full years of foreign service. Donohue and his blue-clad swingsters spent 1943 in the Pacific and have been touring the ETO since April. ● ● ●

Faces & Places: Arlene Francis at Sardi's claiming the $1,000 prize from Paul Czinner for her new title to replace "The Overture" in which she is starred, and which is about marital troubles. Her substitute is "Squaw-ter's Rights." . . . A delegation from the Mexican consulate vociferously applauding Chuck Martinez at La Conga—he's a favorite minstrel below the border. . . . Jose Greco, the spanish dancer, whipping across the Rockefeller Plaza ice skating rink with a flamenco flair. . . . Sir Alexander Korda sizing up a steak with an eye and admiration at Bradley's—it'll be his last for some time as he's winging transition to London where steaks are postwar projects. . . . Adele Ladd gazing wide-eyed at a steam shovel busily excavating on a corner of 5th avenue and 51st street. —A. Ladd's in his lamps. ● ● ●

Cuff Notes: The Murtah aides have been made honorary citizens of Minneapolis so well did they behave. . . . Ruben's and Finch's have taken themselves with the lid off white feathers during their engagement at the Hotel Radisson. . . . Josephine Baker, reading the headlines about Jap defeats, observed, "The Yanks are filling the Japs so full of lead that when they sit down they leave pencil marks." . . . Jimmy Durante vows that he has a new watch with a luminous dial—during brown-outs it puts its hands over its face. . . . Tap room sign: Better Business Bureau. . . . The Andrews sisters were asked to describe Gabby Hayes, be-whiskered cowboy on the radio show. "His face," they chorused, "looks like the bottom of a carpet sweeper." ● ● ●

People & Places: Milton Berle living to elbow his way through the crowds at Ruben's and Finch's taking himself off to a nearby beanery for his midnight smack of ham and eggs. . . . Nancy Walker, comic star of "On the Town," showing off her new slimness in a black sheath at the Cafe Zanzibar — the pounds she's lost are tres becoming. . . . Alicia Markova eyeing ballerina shoes in a Fifth avenue shop window. . . . Roscoe Karns and Skeets Gallagher, a couple of film and stage veterans, chatting at Broadway and 44th. . . . Clifton Webb bowling through a puddle on 46th street—Webb feet! . . . Bert Lahr looking as serious as last year's headlines as he concentrates on his dinner at the Chateaubriand. ● ● ●

Addenda: Beatrice Kay, the "Gay Nineties" star sporting a new bracelet made of honorary U. S. chief badges. . . . Lovely Fern Paige, Sawdust Trail chanteuse, leading a sweatered pooch along Fifth avenue—whatzis about a dog's life? . . . Betty Field out of "Voice of the Turtle" having a field day with mock turtle soup in the Henry Hudson dining room. . . . Evelyn Knight shopping for Knight gowns at a Fifth avenue lingerie mart. ● ● ●

Bell Syndicate.—WNU Features.

We Want to Know If He Dared to Go Back Home

MILES CITY, MONT.—A sergeant here recently acquired a hard-to-get girdles, and immediately began telephoning customers who had inquired about the garments.

The elastic outfits sold like hot cakes.

But the merchant's sense of a deal well done left him abruptly. He suddenly recalled—just after the last one had been sold—that he had forgotten about the missus.

Rocks News

...day 28.- Farmers are ...ade a time getting a stand ...this time. Wild worms are ... bad. Tobacco plants are ...earce.

...den Baldwin of Portsmouth ...siting his parents, Mr. and ... C. Baldwin last week.

...mie Baldwin, who has ...pending some time in Rich... is re urned home.

... Ranson was cutting his ... last week.

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Jim Frank Ranson had a sick horse Wednesday.

James Taylor and B. F. Almond were helping Robert Rouch and son, Donald put out a carload of poles Thursday and Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Marsh spent a day recently with her sister, Mrs Floyd Woodridge, who continues critically ill.

Mrs. W. F. Ranson has returned home after spending some time at Appomattox with her daughter, Mrs. C. M. Evans.

The monthly W. M. U meeting was held Sunday just after Sunday School. The attendance was good. (Mrs. Glenn Martin had charge of the program.

...Baldwin celebrated his ...day Saturday.

... H. A. Tanner, of ...ynchburg and Mrs. Humphrey Young and son, of Prospect spent Sunday w'i A. A. Baldwin and Cassie.

Rev. W. M. Black, of Pamplin, will preach at Rocks Sunday night June 3rd.

...r. and Mrs. Lew. Dameron and children spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Y. Gowin.

C. S. Ranson was working on his road some last week.

Life's Like That
By FRED NEHER

"The vacation I really enjoy the best is the Bess's."

Japs claim large parts of Tokyo laid waste by air bombing.

Have you bought that 7th War Loan Bond yet?

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Farm Topics

Science Develops Aids for Farmers

Crop and Livestock Improvements Seen

CONTINUED high production levels on American farms in 1945 should be materially aided by recent discoveries and developments by U. S. department of agriculture research experts.

Some of the announced results of the Agricultural Research administration's program are:

1. Release of 43 new improved varieties of plants; such as corn hybrids, suitable to the South. Hybrid corn has been little used there so far, but the new variety shows promise of bigger acre yield increases than in the North. Hybrid onions give evidence of increasing yields per acre, as much as 20 to 30 per cent.

2. Working out of methods for conditioning and treating ammonium nitrate, so that it can be readily used as a high-nitrogen fertilizer.

3. Confirmation by tests with DD (dichloropropylene - dichloropropane) of earlier reports that it is highly effective against the rootknot nematode.

4. Development of a mechanism for dispersal of insecticidal sprays by airplane.

5. Production of new allyl compounds, from ordinary sugars and starches, that form clear, weather-resistant coatings for wood, paper, or metal.

6. Development of a dual-stretch method which improves the physical properties of cord made from cotton fiber, the result of research on tire cord.

7. Extension of the use of phenothiazine as a drug for livestock. Research has now shown that it can be safely used for calves, and that wormy sheep taking regular small doses in their salt, show improvement from the medication.

Postwar Locker Plant Expansion Promised

Model Locker Plants Increase.

As a result of prewar as well as successful wartime experience of farmers who have used frozen food lockers for quick freezing and storing of their surplus food supplies, a broad increase in construction of locker plants in farming communities is expected after the war, according to the National Frozen Food Locker association.

The frozen food locker industry, now operating more than two million individual storage units, serves one-fourth of America's farm families, and is making plans for further expansion.

Rental of lockers, in many cases, is far below the cost for low temperature refrigeration installed by individual farmers. Tests have proven that the quality of meats, fruits and vegetables can be maintained by properly regulated locker plants.

Not only do locker plants serve as a storage place for the needs of the farmer, but it is possible for him to develop a select retail trade, selling in winter direct from his locker supply.

TELEFACT
FARM POPULATION SHIFTS IN WARTIME IN U. S. A.
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Many Separate Landings, Assaults Made by Marines

CUYAHOGA FALLS, OHIO.—Few outsiders realize how many separate landings and assaults on beaches are made by marines in the course of what appears in the newspapers as a single operation.

The mopping-up which accompanies a major victory may involve a series of landings to clear out small forces on all the little adjacent atolls. The experiences of Pfc. James B. Leas of Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, bear this out, says "The Leatherneck."

Leas was radio man in the amphibious tank assigned to the commanding officer of a task force of 300 men. Their job was to scour the small islands and atolls, destroying radio stations and cleaning out garrisons. All in all, Leas participated in 37 such combat landings, all of which took place within the space of a few days. And this during a period when he had been sent back to Kwajalein for a rest.

Graphic Description Of the Sound of Battle

NEW YORK.—Writers have used many reams of paper trying to describe the sound of battle, but none has been more graphic than Pfc. Vernard P. Brannigan of New York, N. Y. "It sounded," Brannigan said, just like a baseball game in Brooklyn, except that the Japs were throwing hand grenades instead of pop bottles. I don't mean to give Brooklyn the business, but the noise during the battle was the closest thing to the noise over in Ebbets Field when the Giants and Dodgers hook up. And I want to understood I am no friend of the New York Giants, either," reports "The Leatherneck."

It could be that "Banzai" is really the Jap equivalent of "Kill the umpire!" or "Throw the bum out!"

Hixburg

Hixburg, May 29.- The Home Demons ration Club meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. J. T. Hix Thursday, June 7, at 2 P. M.

Mrs. H. M. Marshall and Mrs. Carl Martin, poultry and garden leaders, attended the leader's training class at Appomattox Wednesday. Specialists from Blacksburg conducted the classes.

Mrs. R. E. McClenny, Pamplin, visited her father and brother Friday afternoon.

Visitors Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Carson were Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Cook and children, Miss Beaik Hix and Betty Sue Hix, of Prosp ct, Wilson Hix and family and Miss Frances Hix.

Mrs. Joel Coleman and Mrs. Zil McPhillips are spending today with Mrs. Van Webb at Hurtsville. Mrs. Coleman spent one day last week with Mrs. McPhillips and they called to see Mrs. J. T. Hix in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Carson and son, of Prospect visited their parents here Sunday.

The May Sunbeam meeting will be held at the home of the leader on Tuesday afternoon.

Those calling on Mrs. H. J. Covington and baby son Wednesday afternoon were Mrs. H. M. Marshall, Mrs. E. W. Gillam, Mrs. Hix and Ruth, Mrs. Ed and Mrs. P. H. McPhillips and daughters.

Miss es Cassie Webb and Hilda McPhillips spent the week-end with Mrs. Alfred Jamerson.

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